

NYPL RESEARCH LIBRARIES



3 3433 06249314 7

Digitized by the Internet Archive
in 2008 with funding from
Microsoft Corporation

<http://www.archive.org/details/baconfamilygenea00tayl>

414
(Bacon)
Taylor

Bacon Family Genealogy

This Book was Compiled by
Arthur L. Taylor and Cassius F. Bacon.

O'Dell Notes

added by
John Bradley Artheud, M.D.
Wheeling, Missouri.

Published November, 1922

Introduction

In writing up this little History of our Bacon Family and in looking over the different records, we find there are a great many Bacon families in the United States, who do not claim any relationship. In 1810 there were forty Bacon families living in Chicago and only one of them belonged to our branch and that was Francis M. Bacon and his family. The supposition has been that we are all descendants of Lord Bacon but that is a mistake as Lord Bacon never had any children. In 1640, there was a man by the name of Michael Bacon who immigrated from England to America with his three sons and settled in some one of the New England states. We have a complete record of all of his descendants and there is no place where our Branch will link onto any of his Branch. General Custer's wife was the daughter of Judge Bacon of Monroe, Michigan, another branch we have no record of. So you see, up to about 1700, the whole thing is a supposition.

This Bacon History of our line is founded on facts handed down from one generation to another. These facts have been collected and compiled during the years 1907 to 1919 by Cassius F. Bacon (4) and Arthur L. Taylor (5). During this time, our Bacon family have held a Family Reunion once each year. The first Bacon of our Family, that we have any positive record of, was (1) Ralph Bacon the first, who at the time of an uprising in England, escaped in the garb of a Priest, to the Isle of Man. He later came to America and settled in Massachusetts. He was married and lived in one of the New England States the rest of his lifetime. We know that he raised four sons (2) Calvin, (2) Dexter, (2) Ralph and (2) William. Calvin never married. Dexter and Ralph married sisters by the name of Jourden. At this time, the family had moved to near Painsville, Ohio. (2) Calvin was born in 1773, Dexter in 1775, Ralph in 1777 and William in 1779.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

RALPH BACON, 1st

- (1) Ralph Bacon, the first one of the family of whom we have any record, came from the Isle of Man and settled in one of the New England States, but when he came or at what age, we do not know. Sufficient to say that we do know that he had four sons: Calvin, Dexter, Ralph and William.
- (2) Calvin never married.
- (2) Dexter married a lady by the name of Jourden. We know but little about his family except that he had two sons: Isaac and Thomas; and one daughter: Emma.
- (3) Isaac married Diana Morris and to them were born two children by the names of Seth and Sally Ann.
- (3) Thomas married Harriet Smith of Painsville, Ohio. They settled in McHenry County, Illinois near Marengo, in 1845, where three children, Francis M., Martha E. and George D., were born. Thomas died in 1893 and his wife followed him in 1894.
- (4) Francis M., was married to Sarah Jane McLane in 1864. He followed the butcher business from the ages of 16 to 30 years, when he moved to Chicago and engaged in the Commission business at the Chicago Union Stock yards for 35 years. He died April 12, 1915, his wife having preceded him in 1883. To this union were born three children, Eva, Daisy and William F.
- (5) William F. was born June 19, 1867 and lived in Idaho. He has one son whose name is (6) Marion G., who was adopted by George D. Bacon of Vinton, Iowa and now (1918) at 21 years of age is attending school at some Institute in Chicago.
- (5) Eva was born in 1870 and was married to John Potter in 1908. They are living at Delavan Lake, Wisconsin on a farm.
- (5) Daisy was born in 1877 and married George Beldam. To them were born two sons whose names are George Francis (age 14) and Hodson McLane (age 10), 1910.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

- (4) Martha E. died at the age of 18 years.
- (4) George D. was married and lived at Vinton, Iowa. He had no children of his own but adopted his nephew's son, Marion G. Bacon.
- (3) Emma, daughter of Dexter (2) lived at Mentor, Ohio, but we know no further of her history.
- (2) William Bacon. He lived in Sanilac County, Michigan and died there. He was driving cattle across a stream and was found dead in a nude condition, covered with bruises and without money. His horse was tied to a tree and clothes hung on a limb near by. Was supposed to have been murdered. He left two sons who were living in Lexington, Michigan in 1865. We have not been able to get any trace of these two sons while compiling this History.

Family # 1197, Grand Prairie Twp, Marion Co., Ohio
1850 Census

John Nichols	43	Pa.
Dinah	33	N.Y.
Samuel	23	Ohio
Asa	20	"
Mary	18	"
Lewis	15	"
Almira	12	"
Martin	10	"
Jacob	6	"
	3	"
Sarah A. Bacon	8	"
Seth	6	"

The 18 year old daughter, Mary, is the same person as Polly Nichols who married Clark Odell, p. 21.

Sarah and Seth Bacon are presumably the children of Isaac and Diana (Morris) Bacon, p. 2.

Addition made Nov. 6, 1971 by J.B. Arthaud.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

RALPH BACON, 2nd

(2) Ralph Bacon, the head of our branch of the Bacon family, was born in New York state in the year 1777, but we do not know at what place. When he was 8 years old he was bound out to a man near Boston, Massachusetts, by the name of Heath, but at the end of four years he returned to his parents and remained with them until he was 17 years of age, when he went to Painsville, Ohio. There he acquired some property and became acquainted with Mary Jourden who became his wife in the year 1801. He owned a farm which was afterward known as the James A. Garfield farm near Mentor, Ohio. Several of the children were born at that place.

In 1820 he moved his family to Crawford County, Ohio, traveling by wagon with two yokes of oxen and one horse. He had come out the year before and located his land, making a deposit on it, designing to complete his purchase when land became more marketable, which occurred in 1820.

There were but two houses in Bucyrus when the family passed through on their journey out. The father, Ralph Bacon, "entered" 240 acres of land, 80 acres being in what is now Liberty Township, the balance across the road in Whetstone Township. The deeds were signed by President Monroe and are now in possession of some of the grandchildren.

The family endured all the privations and sacrifices which pioneer life brings to first settlers in a new country. His wife died October 5, 1845 and he died on June 15, 1849.

To them were born thirteen children. Charles, Salley Mary, Martin, Emeline, Manerva, Clarissa, Emily, Ralph, Dexter, Caroline, Eliza, and William, all of whom reached the age of maturity. Twelve of whom lived to get married and raise families of children.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

CHARLES BACON, 3rd

- (3) Charles Bacon the eldest son of Ralph and Mary Bacon was born in Vermont, April 16, 1802. Between the ages of two and three the parents moved to Mentor, Ohio and when he was 18 years old, in 1820, he moved with his parents to Crawford County, Ohio, three miles east of Bucyrus. When he was 22 years old, he married Cynthia Smalley for his first wife, she living only about one year.

He afterward married Pamela Nation. Five children were born to them; Ralph, Irvin, Martin, Jane and John. John died when two years of age.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

RALPH W. BACON, 4th

- (4) Ralph W. was born at Bucyrus, Ohio, August 5, 1836 and died at the Wesley Hospital, Chicago, November 8, 1912, at the age of 76 years. He was the oldest son of Charles and Parmelia (Nation) Bacon. At an early age he came to Lake County, Indiana, and made that his home for the rest of his life.

When his country called for help in time of war, he enlisted in Company C, 42nd Illinois Volunteers, on August 10, 1861 and was honorably discharged September 16, 1864. After his discharge he returned to Lowell, where on November 26, 1867 he was united in marriage to Miss Martha Burnham, who died February 7, 1919. To this union four daughters were born. The two oldest died in infancy. The two surviving daughters are Ruth (Mrs. G. A. Hawkins of Chattanooga, Tenn.) and Ruby (Mrs. J. H. Spindler of Valparaiso, Indiana.)

- (5) Ruth was born at Lowell, Indiana on September 18, 1872. On June 3, 1893 she was married to George Arthur Hawkins, who was a native of Ontario, Canada. Mr. Hawkins was a teacher and they lived in Chicago and its suburbs, Racine, Wisconsin, Atlanta, Georgia and Chattanooga, Tennessee. To them was born a daughter, Martha Miriam, on July 13, 1897. She is at present (1918) teaching in a Diocesan School of Florida.
- (5) Ruby, the other daughter of Ralph and Martha Bacon, was born in West Creek Township, near Lowell, Lake County, Indiana, September 1, 1874. At the age of three years, she moved with her parents to Lowell, which remained her home until 1912, when she moved to Valparaiso. After graduating from the High School at Lowell, she taught school for four years but preferring music, she took a course in piano at the Chicago Musical College, graduating in 1898. She taught music until her marriage to John Henry Spindler, January 15, 1906. Three children were born to them in Lowell, Ralph Bacon Spindler, born October 20, 1906; John David Spindler, January 10, 1908; and Naomi Ruth Spindler, born July 5, 1910.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

CAPTAIN IRVIN BACON, 4th

- (4) Irvin, the second son of Charles and Pamela Bacon, was born in Crawford County, Ohio, December 1, 1837. He lived at home until his father died, when he started out for himself. He spent several years in Marion County, Ohio, working on a farm in summer and attending the rural schools in the winter. On August 11, 1861 he enlisted as a Union soldier. Through the unauthorized action of Colonel Harland, he became a member of the 11th Pennsylvania volunteer Cavalry and participated in the battles of Big Bethel, Newport News, Siege of Suffolk, Franklin and many others. He was captured at Darby Town Roads and was held prisoner in Libby, Salisbury and Danville prisons from October 7, 1861 to February, 1865. On February 22, 1865 he was paroled and in March he was exchanged and joined his regiment a few days previous to Lee's surrender. During his service he was promoted to Sergeant, First Sergeant, Second Lieutenant and on October 1, 1864 was made Captain. He served four years and eight days receiving his discharge August 19, 1865.

On March 1, 1866, he married Azaba Lieth and to whom was born one daughter, Clara, on July 1, 1867. His wife died May 17, 1878 and on May 10, 1881, he was remarried to Lida Grove. To this union was born one son, Carl, who died at the age of 18 years.

During his later life, he accumulated a valuable collection of Indian and War relics and also many relics of his pioneer days, which he valued at \$1,000.00. This collection was presented to the Masonic-Pythian fraternities and is known as the Bacon Memorial.

Irvin Bacon died January 24, 1913.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

CLARA BACON BALLIET

- (5) Clara the only daughter of Irvin Bacon, was born July 1, 1867, near Nevada, Ohio. She married Albert H. Balliett on November 28, 1888 and located on a farm near her old home. To them were born six children: Arle, Fred, Leo and Cleo (twins), Russell and Blanche. The first child, Arle, was born May 12, 1890 and died April 26, 1903 at the age of 12 years. Fred was born September 12, 1891 and was married to Sallie Stover on March 5, 1918. To them were born two children, Wayne and Gerald Balliet. The twins were born on May 4, 1893. Leo was married to Elva Miller, Dec. 23, 1916. They have two children, Harold Frederick, born Nov. 23, 1917, and Margaret. Russell was born September 28, 1897 and Blanche on February 28, 1906.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

MARTIN BACON, 4th

- (4) Martin the third son of Charles Bacon was born in 1810. He married Elizabeth Heller and had one son Charles, who was born at Garrett, Indiana. Charles is now living in Los Angeles, California and has a son named Ralph Bacon. Martin parted from his wife and married again. He lived at Sunfield, Michigan where he served as County Clerk for a time. He died Nov. 12, 1912.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

JANE BACON KEMIS, 4th

- (4) Jane, the only daughter of Charles Bacon, was born April 2, 1843., and died August 13, 1910. She married James Kemmis, who was a son of Jane Hughes Kemis Bacon. They lived at Bucyrus, Ohio, and to them were born six children—Milly (Kemmis Blowers), Greeley, Harlan, Kitty, Charlie and Maude, Roy and George Kemmis. James Kemmis was born December 25, 1830 and died March 6, 1911.

Jane 1843 married Jim Kemmis

Charles Austin - B. 10/1/1866 - D. 1952 (3)

*B. at N. Baltimore
M. Jennie Perryman
Nicholas
Charles Jr.*

*Donkey B. 11/17/1890 D. 12/21/57
M. Rebecca Jones*

*James E. B. 4/11/93
M. Mildred Blower*

*In 1906 Lived
2011 N. Millers
Linda O.*

*Thomas Jr. 5/20/36
David 11/1/57*

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

MAUD KEMIS STEWART HASPESLAUGH, 5th

(5) Maud Kemis was a daughter of James Kemis and Jane Bacon Kemis. she was born Oct. 14, 1874. She moved with her parents to Chattanooga, Tenn., where she married Herbert O. Stewart, March 12, 1892. One son, Max E. Stewart, was born to this union, May 31, 1893. Later there was a separation and divorce, granted before they left Tennessee. Maud, with her parents and her son Max moved to Bucyrus, Ohio, in 1895 where she married Henry Haspesluagh on May 21, 1899. A daughter, Catherine Alice, was born to this union, March 26, 1900. Catherine married Cecil C. Cress, March 31, 1918, and to this union two daughters were born, Carol Irene, Febr. 2, 1919, and Marjorie Catheren, Sept. 26, 1920.

Max E. Stewart was drowned while fishing east of Bucyrus, July 20, 1915.

Maud and Henry Haspeslaugh worked hard and took good care of her mother, who was an invalid for many years. Her mother died Aug. 13, 1910. Her father died March 6, 1911. Maud has taken an active and interesting part in the Bacon Reunions.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

SALLY BACON ODELL, 3rd

- (3) Sally Bacon, the second child of Ralph and Mary Bacon, spent the most of her life near Parchers Corners, Crawford County, Ohio. She was born October 4, 1805 and was married to Philander Odell. To them were born eight children. She died August 13, 1850. The names of her children follow: Clarissa, Laura, Sally, Asenith, Clark, Eli, Melancthon and Abial.
- (4) Clarissa Odell never married. b. June 1, 1824
- (4) Laura Odell married William Parsons and had two children, William and Rose. born Nov. 2, 1824
- (4) Sally Odell married Barrick Holmes and had five children, Abram, Samantha, Shafer, Laura and Nellie. born May 26, 1827
- (4) Asenith Odell, married James Marrow. They had three children—Frank, Truman and Nellie. born Nov. 25, 1834
- (4) Clark Odell married Polly Nichols and to them were born two children. He died in Bedford, Iowa in 1890. born Nov. 25, 1828
See next page.
- (4) Eli Odell married Barbara Hoeker and raised a family of children. The names of the only ones we know are Mahlon and Sherman. Eli Odell died at Bedford, Iowa in the year 1885.
born Sept. 8, 1833—died Feb. 3, 1881.
- (4) Melancthon Odell married Edith Swonger and lived in Shipshewana, Indiana. They have four children, Byron, Lewis, William and Celia Odell. b. Nov. 14, 1836
- (4) Abial Odell married a Miss Warner of Nevada, Ohio and had one son by the name of Truman. Abial Odell died in the year 1871, at Parchers Corners, Crawford County, Ohio, at the age of 31 years.
born Sept. 5, 1839.

These birthdates are from the O'Dell Bible in possession of Keith O'Dell, Gravity, Iowa. Data added to this page June 25, 1971 by John Bradley Arthoul.

Both Clark & Eli Odell are buried in Memory Cemetery, Taylor County, Iowa.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

CLARK ODELL, 4th

- (4) Clark Odell, the 4th child of Philander and Sally (Bacon) Odell was born Nov. 25, 1828 and married December 5, 1850, Marion Co. to Mary Nichols. She was born April 7, 1833 in Ohio. They lived in Lake County, Indiana for a few years and moved to Taylor County, Iowa by 1860. He died there Jan. 31, 1892. She died there March 8, 1925. They are buried in the Memory Cemetery.
- (5) Mary (Nov. 26, 1851--July 11, 1877) married James Roberts. Three children: Oren, Ollie and Leroy.
- (5) Annazella (Dec. 3, 1853--Feb. 28, 1941, Wheeling, Missouri.) married John B. Arthaud Jan. 13, 1876 in Taylor County. For their descendants see: "The Emile Arthaud Family."
- (5) Warren Everett (Feb. 22, 1856, Lake County, Indiana--Jan., 1929) married Dora Bell Lindsay Aug. 29, 1887 in Taylor Co.
- (5) Loren Lester (Sept. 30, 1861--Aug. 5, 1945) married March 5, 1890 Emma May Fitch in Taylor Co. They are buried in the Graceland Cemetery, Taylor County. Four children: Bruce, Herman**, Neva and Helen.
- (5) Leonidos Nichols (Jan. 6, 1864--Sept. 21, 1922) is buried in Helena, Montana.
- (5) Alora Ellen (April 25, 1869--July 22, 1876)

These birthdates are from the Odell Bibel in the possession of Keith O'Dell, Gravity, Iowa. He is the son of Herman O'Dell**, above.

This information included on June 25, 1971 by John Bradley Arthaud, M.D., great-grandson of Annazella Odell Arthaud, in accordance with the authors' indications on page 125.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

MARY BACON HOWARD SLAGLE, 3rd

- (3) Mary, the third child of Ralph and Mary Bacon, was born August 15, 1807 and was married to John Howard. To them was born one child, Mary Ann Howard. After the death of John Howard, Mary (the wife) was married to Jacob Slagle and to them were born three children—Cosby, Jacob, Jr., and Clarissa. Mary Bacon Howard Slagle died February 26, 1849.
- (4) Mary Ann Howard, the eldest child, married John H. Close and to them were born five children—Warren, William, Wallace, Jane and Burt.

Mary Ann Close now lives with her son Burt, west of Van Wert, Ohio. (1919).

- (4) Cosby Slagle, married Newton Matthews and they have five children, Minnie, Jessie, Viola, Ida and Homer Matthews. Jessie died in infancy.
- (4) Jake Slagle went into the army at the age of 17 and died at Millikens Bends, April, 1863.
- (4) Clarissa Slagle never married and died at the age of 16 years.
Jacob Slagle, husband of Mary Bacon Howard, died December 19, 1849, in his 42nd year.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

MARTIN BACON, 3rd

(3) Martin, the fourth child of Ralph and Mary Bacon, was born at Mentor, Ohio, July 30, 1809. He moved with his father in 1820, to a farm three miles east of Bucyrus, Crawford County, Ohio, containing 240 acres. At the age of 20 years, he bought the farm on which his father had settled, east of Bucyrus, on condition that he should maintain the aged parents and raise the younger children of the family of 13, of whom there were nine. All of which children reached their majority. This he did successfully. On December 15, 1833, he married Jane Hughes Kemis (born in Washington County, New York, May 10, 1808). He owned 381 acres of land, held the office of Justice of the Peace, was a prominent citizen and also a member of the Advent Church.

To Martin and Jane Bacon were born seven children—George, Clark, Warren, William, Mary, Willis and Clarissa. The last two of whom died in infancy.

Article of agreement made and concluded on by and between Ralph Bacon of the County of Crawford and State of Ohio, of the one part, and Martin Bacon, his son, of the County and State afore said of the other part.

Witnesseth that Ralph Bacon of the first part hath the day of the date hereof sold and confirmed and by these presents do sell and confirmed, unto Martin Bacon of the second part, one yoke of oxen, one cow, all his farming utensils; hay, oats, potatoes, and three hogs and will deliver same to him freely and quietly peaceably and entirely, to be his property. In consideration whereof the said Martin Bacon does promise and agree to provide for and furnish his father, mother and invalid sister a comfortable house to live in by themselves, with a sufficient quantity of fuel ready for the fire at the door and also to furnish as long as they live for them suitable provisions and clothing, tea and coffee, and the necessary comforts of a farmers house, and to pay all his fathers debts which he has previously contracted, and to furnish in addition to what has been mentioned what will support and clothe all the minor children

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

of his father, the boys until they are sixteen and the girls eighteen years of age.

The boys to have within the time they are sixteen years, Ralph ten months, Dexter twelve months schooling and those younger to be taught to read and write and the said Ralph Bacon of the first part, does agree that his sons shall work for said Martin Bacon if he uses them as a brother ought to do, until sixteen, and if the boys choose when sixteen years of age to stay with said Martin until twenty one and work for him as boys ought to do, then said Martin agrees to give them one hundred dollars apiece and as much schooling as will include the single rule of three, but if they leave said Martin between sixteen and twenty one years of age they are only to have pay in proportion to the time they have stayed. And the said Martin agrees to furnish his sister Emeline with as much flax, wool and feathers as will make a good bed, in eight months from the date hereof, and to furnish Clarrissa with the same in five years from the date hereof, and all the rest of the girls to have the same when seventeen years of age, and to furnish all his sisters that live with their father at this time one cow each, except Emmeline when they are eighteen years of age, and to have them taught to read and write when they are eighteen years of age.

Said Ralph Bacon does agree to keep all household stuff or furniture for the use of the family, and to let said Martin live with him as long as he remains single.

January 26th, 1831.

Martin Bacon

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

GEORGE BACON, 4th

- (4) George, the eldest son lived on a farm given him by his father. He was married to Matilda Walters. To them were born four children—Walter, Effie, Fred and Jennie. George Bacon died east of Bucyrus in 1877, on his farm.
- (5) Walter Bacon, the oldest son of George and Matilda Walters Bacon, was born in Liberty Township, Crawford County, Ohio in the year January 12, 1861. He married Susan Grove and to them were born six children—George, born April 18, 1883; Desta, born April 1, 1885; Claude born March 26, 1887; Harry, born March 25, 1889; Altonia born March 9, 1891; and Maragret, born September 22, 1894.

Walter lived on his father's old farm for some years and raised this family of children. Later, he moved to Bucyrus, Ohio, where he worked for the Standard Oil Company for a time. After the loss of his wife in ————, he lived with his oldest son George and canvassed for him, selling crayon picture work. He followed this work for several years, traveling through the central and western parts of Ohio. In the Spring of 1919, he married Mrs. Emma Lafevres of Van Wert County, Ohio. They now live in Marion, Ohio. (1919).

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

GEORGE BACON, 6th

- (6) George, the oldest son and oldest child of Walter and Susan Grove Bacon, was born on a farm in Liberty Township, Crawford County, Ohio, April 18, 1883. He received most of his education in Bucyrus where he had moved with his parents. He was married to Myrtle Schultz in 1901 and to them there were born three children—Alfred (7), Ralph (7), and Nellie (7). His wife died March 15, 1911 and he later married again Iva Mae Irvin on September 10, 1912. To this union two children were born—Mary Dale and George Wesley (7). The latter died at the age of 13 days. George Bacon is an expert artist and now (1919) lives in Marion, Ohio, where he follows his trade.
- (6) Claude, the next son of Walter and Susan Grove Bacon, is also a natural artist. He was born March 26, 1887. He married Mae Fogel and to them were born two children—Wesley, who died in infancy and Edna Mae. At present, Claude is working at the picture business at 734 Clark St., Cincinnati, Ohio.
- (6) Desta Bacon Diller, was born April 1, 1885. She was the oldest daughter of Walter and Susan Bacon. She married Ralph Diller of Bucyrus, Ohio. They have four children—Beatrice, Harry, Helen and Vivian and are now living at 344 N. Sandusky Ave., Bucyrus, Ohio. (1919).
- (6) Harry Bacon, the youngest son of Walter and Susan Grove Bacon was born March 25, 1889. He married Florence Burbrink but has no children. At present (1919) he is in with his brother Claude in business at 734 Clark St., Cincinnati, Ohio.
- (6) Altonia Bacon Montague was born March 9, 1891. She married Mark Montague, 418, Walker Ave., Alliance, Ohio, and to them were born three children—Roland, Melva and Beatrice.
- (6) Margaret Bacon Thomas, the youngest child of Walter and Susan Grove Bacon was born September 22, 1894. She married Howard Thomas and is living at 496 Fredonia Avenue, Alliance, Ohio. They have no children.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

- (5) Effie, the second child of (4) George Bacon, was born in Liberty Township and died there at about five years of age.
- (5) Fred, the second son of George and Matilda Bacon, was born in Liberty Township, Ohio, in the year 1872, on Oct. 23. He married Della Smalley and they have one child, Freda.
- (5) Jennie, daughter of George and Matilda Bacon, was born in Liberty Township, Ohio in the year 1875 and died at the age of twenty-two years. In April, 1893 she married William Grove and to them were born two children, Leila and Hazel. Hazel died in infancy. Leila is married to a man by the name of Wicks and lives in Toledo.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

CLARK BACON, 4th

- (4) Clark was born east of Bucyrus on the old homestead farm October 2, 1836. He was the second son of Martin and Jane Bacon and married Cynthia Smalley. To them were born three children—Minnie, Annie and Edwin, who died in infancy. After the death of his first wife in March, 1890, Clark married Mrs. Anna Walters Smalley, who died May 30, 1917. Clark died in March, 1919.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

WARREN BACON, 4th

- (4) Warren, the third son of Martin was born in 1840 and died in 1905. He served in the Civil War in Company 3, 136th Ohio National Guard Infantry. He was married to Francis Jourden and to them born four children—Eugene, Gertrude Elva and Carrie. Eugene, the son, accidentally shot himself in 1884 and soon after died from the effects of his wounds. Gertrude died October 5, 1914 and the other two girls are married and live in Cleveland. Warren lived all his life with his father on the old farm three miles east of Bucyrus. Frances, his wife, died March 21st, 1920.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

WILLIAM A. BACON, 4th

- (4) William A., the next son was born March 20, 1846 and was married to Angie Clingen. They have two children, Clarence and Edna. William and his wife lived at Parchers Corners, on a farm, until a short time before he died, April 19, 1913. Angie, his wife, died November 27, 1913.
- (5) Clarence Bacon was born October 7, 1874. He married in November 1898. They have two daughters—Bernice, born in 1899 and Carol, born in 1905. Clarence works in the Post Office at Bucyrus, Ohio.
- (5) Edna Bacon, daughter of William and Angie Bacon, was born September 26, 1880. She married Edward Geissman and they have five children—Marcella, Milton, William, Ethel and Robert.
- (4) Mary, the daughter of Martin Bacon, was born May 5, 1850. She married George Mallery, April 17, 1872 and they have two daughters; Bertha, born June 27, 1876 and Maude, born October 31, 1883. George Mallery died in 1908.
- (4) Clarissa and Willis, the other two children of Martin Bacon, died in infancy.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

EMELINE BACON LOUDEN, 3rd

(3) Emeline Bacon Louden, the fifth child of Ralph and Mary Bacon was born at Mentor, Lake Co., O., July 16, 1811, on what was afterward, known as the James A. Garfield farm. At the age of eight years, she moved with her parents, to Crawford County, Ohio where she spent her childhood and young womanhood. She did housework and was an expert spinner of wool for cloth. In January, 1832, she married Moses H. Louden and they lived on a farm in Crawford County until 1842, when with their family of four children, they moved to Williams County, Ohio, within what is now the corporate limits of the city of Montpelier. At the time they moved to this place, it was all a wilderness. They knew the trials and privations of pioneer life but by untiring perseverance and industry they secured a competence for life and assisted in building a flourishing city out of a wilderness.

To Emeline and Moses Louden were born seven children—Elmer, Angeline, Hiram, Minerva, Harrison, Jane and Mary Ann. Angeline and Mary Ann died in infancy. Moses H. Louden, the father, died Feb. 28, 1887. Emeline Bacon Louden died September 20, 1887 at the age of 76 years. Justice, Love and Humanity was her religion.

Moses H. Louden was born July 15, 1802, in south Beaver Township, Beaver County, Pennsylvania. He was the first settler and built the first log cabin in Montpelier, Ohio, in the fall of 1842.

(4) Elmer Louden became a Doctor, was married three times and had three children. The names of the children are Ida, Frank and Dora.

(5) Ida married a man by the name of Hoghe and to them were born two daughters, Pearl and Inez (6). Inez was adopted by a family named Earnest.

(5) Frank Louden

(5) Dora Louden

(4) Hiram enlisted in the army and died in the service of his country.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

- (4) Manerva married David Hawkins and lived in southern California. She had two children, Dan and Jennie.
- (4) Jane married a man by the name of Chandler, who died at Montpelier, Ohio. She died in Montpelier in the year 1891.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

HARRISON LOUDEN, 4th

(4) Harrison Loudon, a son of Moses and Emaline Loudon, was born in Crawford County, Ohio, September 28, 1842. When he was about one year old, he moved with his parents to Williams County, Ohio, where they settled in the woods near what is now Montpelier. He served a year and six months in the Civil War and after the close of the war was married to Mary Lattanner, in December, 1866. To this union, four children were born—Williard A., Charles E., Roy D. and Nettie. They lived for some time at Montpelier, Ohio and accumulated some property there, but Harrison having poor health, he moved his family to Kansas and lived there about four years before he died, in December 1892. His family then returned to Montpelier, Ohio where his widow now lives with her two sons, Williard and Charles (1918).

(5) Williard A. Loudon, oldest son of Harrison and Mary Loudon was born at Montpelier, Williams County, Ohio in 1867. On May 22, 1900, he was married to Isabell M. Stainthorpe of Hillsdale, Michigan. The next son:

(5) Charles E. Loudon, was born in 1873, at Montpelier, Ohio and was married to Effa Sloan of Tilbury, Ontario, Canada, April 13, 1903.

These two brothers were brought up in Montpelier and got their education there. They have been partners in practically all of their business transactions for the past 25 years, in Montpelier. They moved with their parents to Kansas, where they lived about four years. After the death of their father, in 1892, they returned to Montpelier, where they engaged in the grocery and general dry goods business. By careful management and their industrious and upright ways, they have accumulated a nice property in Montpelier, where they now have three large stores all in one building and the Loudon Hotel.

(5) Roy D. Loudon, the third son of Harrison and Mary Loudon, was born at Montpelier, Ohio, November 6, 1881. He spent his younger days at Montpelier, where he received his education. About 1899 he went with the family to Kansas where they lived until after the death of his father when he returned to Montpelier. He later moved

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

to the southeastern part of Colorado where he married Zeta Bradley, August 2, 1916. They have one child, Dorothy Dean Loudon. He owns a large ranch in Colorado, of about a thousand acres and is raising horses and cattle (1918).

Nettie Loudon Fortis, the only daughter of Harrison and Mary Loudon, was born April 11, 1877, at Montpelier, Ohio. She lived in Montpelier until she was thirteen years of age, when the family moved to the Kansas Plains. She returned to Montpelier in 1893. She took up a dramatic profession for a period of seven years and was married in Denver, Colorado, June 19, 1911 to Sidney L. Fortis. She has two children: Mary Fanny Fortis, born March 25, 1912 and Jane Fortis, born April 18, 1915. She is now living at Bellevue, Ohio. (1918).

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

MINERVA BACON STANCLIFF, 3rd

- 3) Minerva, the sixth child of Ralph and Mary Bacon, was born September 22, 1813 in Lake County, Ohio, at Mentor. She moved with her parents, to Crawford County, Ohio in 1820. In her early life she she worked out for 50c per week, when calico was 30c per yard. During this time, she acquired education sufficient to teach school and began teaching at the age of 23 years. She taught 3 years in the public schools and then felt a call to Mission work. She went to Upper Sandusky Mission, Wyandotte County, Ohio, where she remained, working with the Indians, for two years. She was not bound to her elder brother Martin, as the other younger children were, but took her \$100.00 and a cow and went for herself. On October 23, 1842, she was married to Ezra Stancliff. After her mother's death, they moved to a farm three miles north of Wyandotte, after which they moved into Wyandotte and kept a grocery store. About 1853 they moved back to the farm they had left and remained there until 1860 when they moved to Lake Ridge, Michigan to care for his father and mother. After the death of his parents, in 1866 they returned to Ohio and settled in Nevada, where they engaged in the grocery business until 1870. In 1870 they moved to Agosta where they lived the rest of their lives and were buried at LaRue, Ohio. Minerva Bacon Stancliff died April 23, 1886 Ezra Stancliff died December 1, 1872. Six children were born to them, four of them dying in infancy. Martin and Anna lived to maturity.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

MARTIN G. STANCLIFF, 4th

- (4) Martin G. was born August 16, 1843, died November 21, 1909 at Montgomery, Alabama. He served in the Civil War for three years and after his return from the war, married Philinda King of Clinton, Michigan, and to them were born six daughters—Ada M., Hattie, Lulu A., Gertrude, Myrtle, Jesse. Martin died November 28, 1909. and his wife died June 1, 1900.
- (5) Ada M. Stancliff was born on "The Ridge," Michigan, on October 18, 1866. While yet a child, her parents moved to Agosta, Marion County, Ohio and she lived there until she had grown to young womanhood. She became a teacher and taught for several years, both in Ohio and Michigan. On December 24, 1901 she married August E. Young of Mt. Gilead, Ohio, a widower with six children. He is a harness man. To them, on November 5, 1903, was born a daughter, Harriet M.
- (5) Hattie Stancliff lived in New York City for twenty-five years as a trained nurse. She then married E. E. Drown, of Marion, Ohio, in 1921. She was born April 24, 1869.
- (5) Lulu A. Stancliff born May 2, 1871, married T. J. Knapp and to them were born two boys, Carl and Martin J. Lulu died November 19, 1902 at LaRue, Ohio.
- (5) Gertrude Stancliff, the fourth oldest daughter of Martin and Philinda Stancliff, was born in Lima, Ohio on December 8, 1873. She spent her younger days at Lima, Ohio, later moving to Clinton, Michigan for a few years when they moved to Toledo, Ohio, where she remained until her marriage in 1891, to Charles W. Deacon of Toledo. There were five children born to them, as follows: Edith May, born November 2, 1892; Ralph Edward, born September 6, 1900; Ruth Marion, born May 19, 1903; Helen Dorothy, born March 26, 1911; Mary Elizabeth, born December 10, 1913.

In march of 1910, they moved with their children to a place four miles north of Pittsford, Michigan, where they now live (1919). In 1917, their oldest daughter, Edith May, was married to George Alfred Lamb.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

- (5) Myrtle Vivian Stanclift, was born August 23, 1876 and was married to Karl L. Benner on April 6, 1898. They had three children: Vivian J., born December 9, 1899; Clemens S., born May 14, 1902; and, Gertrude C., born March 30, 1904. They are now living at 1003 Franklin Ave., Fremont, Ohio.
- (5) Jessie Stanclift was born July 3, 1878 and died August 2, 1897, at the age of 19 years.
- (4) Anna E. Stanclift was married to Easton E. Drown of Marion, Co., Ohio, on March 7, 1877, at Ada, Ohio. They lived on a farm near Agosta, Ohio, in Marion County, for a number of years. They then went to Pomona, California for two years after which they returned to Marion, Ohio. Mr. Drown was elected sheriff of Marion County and he retired after the expiration of his office. Mrs. Drown had failing health and died at Marion, Ohio, June 29, 1918. They had had no children. Mr. Drown later married Hattie Stanclift in 1921.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

CLARISSA BACON ODELL, 3rd

- (3) Clarissa Bacon was the seventh child of Ralph and Mary J. Bacon. she was born on a farm near Mentor, Ohio, July 1, 1815. When she was five years old, she moved with her parents to Crawford County, east of Bucyrus, where she spent her childhood and young womanhood. She was married at her father's home to Abial Odell of New York state. As soon as they were married they started, with all their belongings packed in a gipsy wagon, for Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The wagon was drawn by a yoke of oxen and Clarissa rode a horse. They were three weeks on the road. Her husband was a carpenter and contractor and built houses in Milwaukee. They lived in Milwaukee about 18 years, and in 1850 moved to Bowmanville, Canada. They had seven children born in Milwaukee and twin boys were born after they moved to Canada. Six of the nine children died in infancy or early childhood. Philander Eddy Odell, born July 7, 1840, died September 14, 1856, aged 16 years, 2 months. Malvina Jane Odell, born July 11, 1841, died December 7, 1857, age 16 years, 4 months. Melissa and Salina Odell, (twins), were born June 26, 1844. Melissa died when 3 weeks old. Caroline Odell, born in 1847, died November 29, 1862. Malcolm Eli Odell, born September 15, 1853, died October 4, 1853. Marion Odell, born January 13, 1839, died August 2, 1908. Malancthon H. Odell and Eli were twins born September 15, 1853. Clarissa Bacon Odell died January 14, 1864. Her husband died at the home of his daughter Salina, at Fort Hope, Canada, March 7, 1888, at the age of 76 years.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

MARION BERTHA ODELL, 4th

- (4) Marion Bertha Odell was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin in 1839. At the age of 11 years, she moved with her parents to Bowmanville, Canada, where she later married Joseph McLean. He was a dry goods merchant. He was a tall, fine looking Scotchman. They had three children. The oldest, Nellie, was scalded to death when two years old. Lena was the second child and the name of the third is not known.
- (5) Lena McLean married J. B. Mitchell of Bowmanville, Canada, where they have always lived. He has been manager of a piano factory there for 20 years and mayor of the town for 10 years. They have two sons, Fred and Rodney, who are both married. Fred is 38 years old and has one son, Kenneth, age 7 years. Rodney is 36 years old and has one son, Barnard, age 10 years. 1916.



BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

SALINA ADAMS ODELL, 4th

- (4) Salina Odell is the daughter of Abial and Clarissa Bacon Odell and was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on June 26, 1844. Her twin sister, Melissa, died when she was three weeks old. Salina moved with her parents, to Bowmanville, Canada when she was 6 years old. After the death of her mother, in 1864, she kept house for her father and brother Melancthon for a number of years. Her father then went back to Ohio and was married again. Salina was married to William Adams, at the home of her sister, Marion McLean, on November 8, 1878. They moved to Port Hope, Canada. Her husband was a grain merchant for four years, then invested in a coal and wood business. They remained in Port Hope for 9 years. They had two children. Buby was born in 1881 and died when five months old. Rena was born in 1883. They bought a fruit farm of 17 acres inside the corporate limits of Oshawa, Ontario, where they lived for 18 years. This was a grand success and they built the house they are now living in at 201 King st. E., which is the main street in Oshawa, Ontario. William Adams was born October 11, 1836.
- (5) Rena Adams was born in 1883. On April 7, 1906 she married W. A. Kirby. They reside at 244 Burlingame Ave., Detroit, Michigan. They have one daughter, Marion Kirby, born April 20, 1908.



BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

MELANCTHON H. ODELL, 4th

- (4) Melancthon H. Odell was born September 15, 1854. He now (1919) lives at 1513 Poplar Grove, Baltimore, Maryland. He has 7 children—Edith, Carl, Lorne, Rena, Minnie, Ella and Collin.

Melancthon H. Odell was a son of Clarissa Bacon Odell and Abial Odell. He was born at Bowmanville, Canada, in the year 1854, his twin brother having died in infancy. He was the youngest of a family of nine children. His mother died when he was about ten years old, and he lived with his father and sister Salina for several years. He learned several trades and finally stuck to one, which is the making of piano keys. He is married, has seven children, all of whom are married, except the oldest, a daughter, who is leading nurse in a large hospital at Fall River, Massachusetts and has been there for several years. Melancthon Odell is a first class workman. He has been manager of the piano key making factory at Baltimore, Maryland for many years. His six younger children are all married and have families. His address is 1513 Poplar Grove, Baltimore, Maryland. (1918)

- (3) Emily, the eighth child of Ralph and Mary Bacon, was born in July, 1818 and lived to the age of 30 years. After the death of her mother which occurred when she was about 25 years old, she made her home with her brother Martin.



BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

RALPH BACON, 3rd

- (3) Ralph Bacon, the ninth child of (2) Ralph and Mary Bacon, was born in Mentor, Ohio, May 2, 1820. When he was about two months old his parents moved to Crawford County, Ohio. At the age of 11, Ralph with two of his younger brothers was bound out to his older brother Martin. The contract was as follows:

He was to be given support and clothes and two months schooling each year until sixteen years of age. At the age of 16 years the lads were to have a choice of staying with their brother until they were 21 years of age. If they stayed they were each to have \$100 and some more schooling after they became 16. Ralph stayed and worked until he was of age and received his \$100.

*Copy made
Jan. 1890* This contract was written January 26, 1831 and still remains an interesting manuscript in the possession of some of the relatives.

Ralph sent his first money (the \$100) to Wisconsin, by his father where he bought 80 acres of land for him near Milwaukee. Ralph went to Milwaukee before he was 24 years old and sold his land for \$300. While in Milwaukee he made his home with his sister Clarissa. He was married to Harriet Newell Rice of Milwaukee, October 1, 1846. They lived in Milwaukee about two years when they moved to Crawford County, Ohio, and purchased a farm three miles east of Bucyrus. The family lived here until 1864, when they moved to Lake Ridge, Lenawee County, Michigan. Here the wife died in 1865 and in 1866 Ralph was married to Amanda Olds Wheaton and moved to Wheatland, Hillsdale County, Michigan. He purchased a farm of 80 acres, which was his home until his death, September 14, 1880. He was found dead in the field where he had been at work sowing wheat, death being due to heart disease. Seven children were born to Ralph and Harriet (Rice) Bacon. The names of the children follow.

- (4) Jason, born at Elyria, Ohio, June 7, 1850, died in infancy.
(4) Delia, born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, August 4, 1847, died in infancy

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

MARIETTA S. BACON MARTIN, 4th

- (4) Marietta S. Bacon was born November 14, 1852 in Crawford County, Ohio. She moved with her parents to Lake Ridge, Michigan when she was eleven years of age. Here her mother died in 1865. Ralph married again in 1866 and the family moved to Wheatland, Hillsdale County, Michigan. Marietta went to Milwaukee and lived with her aunts for a year and then decided to teach school. She made a very successful teacher and taught several terms after she was married. She married William Martin of Lake Ridge, on December 11, 1878. No children came of this marriage but they raised a girl from infancy, Carol M. Harrison Martin, who has been a great help and comfort to them. After the death of her father in 1880, they settled on a part of her father's farm, where she and her daughter Carol now reside. William Martin died June 5, 1914. Their home burned in February 17, 1915, and she was compelled to build a new house, which she did, carrying on the work of the farm, at the same time, successfully.

Her daughter, Carol, was married to Charles A. Peterson, Feb. 11, 1919, and to this union two little boys have come to gladden their home: Harold Dale, born Dec. 7th, 1919, and Ralph Dewey Peterson, born Jan. 4th, 1922. They live with her mother at the home of Marietta S. Martin.



ROSINA R. BACON TAYLOR, 4th

Rosina R. Bacon Taylor was a daughter of Ralph, 3rd, and Harriet N. Bacon. She was born three miles East of Bucyrus, Crawford County, Ohio, February 18, 1854. She moved with her parents to Lake Ridge, Lenawee County, Mich., in 1863. After the death of her mother in 1865, she went to Milwaukee, Wis., to live with her aunts, in the meantime the family had moved to Hillsdale County. After her return home during the stay in Wheatland, when just a girl, she united with the Baptist Church of Church's Corners. She was united in marriage to Henry Taylor November 12, 1874 and three children came to bless their home. Two of them were plucked before the rose bud had even begun to unfold, but the other one, Arthur, grew to manhood and established a home of his own, but he and his father had both preceded the mother to the Spirit Land several years before. She died August 23, 1916. About thirteen years before her death they left the farm home and removed to the late residence on Pleasant street in Hudson.

It was here that the husband and father passed away and Arthur passed over from the home nearby leaving the wife and two sons, Harold and Clarence, to mourn the loss of grandmother. Besides these she left two brothers, Franklin R. Bacon of Wheatland, and Cassius F. Bacon; also two sisters, Clara Bacon of Adrian, and Mary S. Martin of Wheatland, the latter being with Mrs. Taylor during the trying days of her final suffering. Mrs. Rosa R. Taylor transferred her membership to the Baptist Church of Hudson, of which she was a honored member till her membership was transferred to the Church Triumphant.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

ARTHUR L. TAYLOR, 5th

- (5) Arthur L. Taylor was born September 25, 1875 in Wheatland, Hillsdale County, Mich. He was married to Dora Barnard August 23, 1899 and died in Hudson, Lenawee County May 28th, 1911. Two children were born to them, Harold (6) born May 24, 1900, and Clarence H. (6), born July 4, 1908.

Arthur L. as a young man was uncommonly bright. He taught several terms of school before he was of age. He won a silver medal in a Temperance Oratorical Contest against strong competition. A year or two later he won the gold medal in the same kind of a contest. He attended school at Cleary's Business College at Ypsilanti, Michigan, after which he entered the Boies State Savings Bank at Hudson, Mich. He was second cashier of that bank at the time of his death. He was one of the compilers of this history up to the time of his death.

Arthur L. Taylor was one of those who found pleasure in doing his duty and in devoting his energies toward making the world better, and the people with whom he came in contact happier. He cared little for self glory, nor wanted credit for good deeds, but his quiet way of doing things was wonderful, and his life work will remain as a monument to one who never shirked a responsibility or failed in extending the hand of fellowship in time of trouble. His death was a crushing blow to his wife and two sons, Harold and Clarence aged 11 and 3 years, for he was a loving husband and father and their welfare was ever his chief thought.

But equally bereft was his mother, for few sons have been so faithful in fillial duty. Indeed for many years he was the mainstay of the parental home during the invalidism of his father and when that parent died the son was depended on by his mother. He had been superintendent of the Congregational Sunday school for five years at the time of his death.

Harold B. Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Taylor, was born in Hudson, May 24, 1900 and died at the S. A. T. C. Barracks in Hillsdale December 24th, 1918, of pneumonia, at the age of 18 years. He graduated from Hudson high school the June before and entertained

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

right anticipations for the future, intending to attend college. For early two years he clerked in a drug store in Hudson, where he performed his duties faithfully and efficiently. When the draft law was passed Harold answered the call of duty and entered Hillsdale college for military training. He was a bright student and acquired a large circle of friends.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

CASSIUS F. BACON, 4th

(4) Cassius F. Bacon is a son of Ralph (3), and Harriett Rice Bacon. He was born three miles east of Bucyrus, Crawford County, Ohio, August 28th, 1856. He lived with his parents at Parchers Corners until he was seven years old when he moved with them to Lake Ridge, Lenawee County, Michigan, onto a farm. One year later his father bought a shingle factory. He went to school winters and drove a team on the horse power at the shingle mill summers. One day he got careless and got to throwing stones at the birds, that frightened the team and they ran away, going twice around the track when some one ran out and stopped them. They looked around to see where Cassius was and he was up on top of the fence looking at the team run. He never told his dad he was throwing stones at the birds. When he was twelve years old he moved with the family to Wheatland, Hillsdale County, Mich., onto another farm. When he was 13 years old he returned to Crawford County, Ohio, for a visit to his uncles and aunts for three weeks. While he was there he was all taken up with violin music that was played by the Illec boys. He went home and told his father he wanted a violin and in two years he was playing for dances. He led the orchestra at different times up to 1896, when he and his wife joined the Episcopal Methodist Church at Olive Grove, Ohio, and they played only for amusement after that. Having earned about one thousand dollars in his time of music he has wished many times that he never saw a violin. He stayed at home and worked for his father on the farm until 1876 when he told his father he would like to have a horse and buggy. His father told him he would give him his time and he could step out and go to work by the month and earn a buggy and harness and he would furnish the horse. So Cassius worked out 5½ months at \$19 per month in 1876 and paid for his harness and buggy. After he became 21 years of age he worked his father's farm on shares for several years. Jan. 1st, 1880 he married Ellen E. Olds of Washtenaw County, Mich. That year, Sept. 14, his father died very suddenly and he was called home to settle the estate. He was appointed administrator and after the estate was settled he bought a farm in Somerset, Hillsdale County, and in less than a year sold it again for more than he gave

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

and moved onto a rented farm of 160 acres in Wheatland township.

In 1883 his mother-in-law passed away and his wife being the only child she was invited by her father to come home and keep house for him, which they did, making five moves in four years. He and his father-in-law bought and sold grade Holstein cattle for two years in Washtenaw County, Mich., and did well. They then bought several head of imported Holstein cattle and raised and sold cattle for about five years and never made a dollar. They showed them at the Fairs.

Cassius F. Bacon led a ten-year-old Imported Champion Holstein bull (with his horns on, that weighed 2500 lbs.) around in the grand cavalcade at the Detroit Exposition in 1892.

Cassius F. Bacon had been told by his father many times if he wanted to get a start in the world to go back in the woods and buy some land and grow up with the country. In 1892 he was persuaded by the influence of Gilbert Bacon to go over into the woods in Van Wert County, Ohio, and buy 80 acres of land at \$1835.00, and traded in a span of horses at \$200.00 as first payment. In December, 1893 they decided to move onto their land. They sent their goods and tools in a car and drove thru with two horses and a wagon and one horse hitched to a single buggy, which the good wife and son Earl, 8 years old, drove. It was about 150 miles and some stormy weather and Mrs. Bacon and son got very tired before they got there. After about 14 months he sold the 80 acres for \$2500.00 and moved about three miles onto a 40 acre farm three miles north of Convoy, Ohio, which he purchased for \$1515.00 in 1896. This he cleared, built a house and two barns and fixed it up for his future home. In 1905 Mrs. Bacon's father passed away and left a farm of 50 acres to his daughter and her stepmother.

In 1907 C. F. Bacon sold the 40 acre farm in Ohio, for \$4000.00. He then went over to Michigan and bought 84 acres of land, all cleared, with good buildings and orchard and fountain for \$4500.00, within 1½ miles from the 50 acres which his wife had inherited from her father's estate. In March 1908 they moved to Michigan, onto the 84 acre farm where they lived and worked both farms up to 1912, when they moved onto Mrs. Bacon's farm and rented the 84 acres for cash rent up to the present time, 1922. In the year 1919 this 84 acres of land could have been sold for \$12,000.00. On April 22, 1920, a cyclone struck this 84

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

acre farm and tore down all the buildings and orchard, except the house, making a loss of about \$5,000.00, with only \$1100.00 insurance.

At the time of the cyclone they had half of their goods moved over to Hudson, Mich., but after that happened they had to stay and clean up the muss, and then move the next year. Mrs. Bacon had poor health before they left the farm, she gradually grew worse until June 8th, 1922, when she passed away in Hudson, Mich., where they had purchased a house and lot two years before.

Ellen E. Olds Bacon was a congenial woman. She was a teacher at 18 years of age. Her motto was honesty, uprightness in all things.

She advocated that all mothers should talk to their sons and daughters and teach them the ways of a pure, honest, virtuous life, and that all fathers should talk to their sons likewise.

Mrs. Bacon was a great lover of Flowers and music, and her flower garden was in full bloom the day she passed away, 1922. She was buried in Maple Grove cemetery, where they had their monument and headstones set fifteen years before her death.

(5) Earl R. Bacon, the son and only child of Cassius F. and Ellen E. Olds Bacon was born in Saline Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, on the farm of his grandfathers. He got his education at Saline, Mich, then at Lima, Ohio, and later at Ann Arbor, Michigan.

After 18 of age he stayed at home and worked hard helping his father carry on the farm work for several years, saved up his money and later bought the old homestead which was once his grandfather's old farm, where he was born and that now is his home, 1922. He was born Oct. 18, 1886.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

CLARA J. BACON FROST, 4th

(4) Clara J. Bacon was born at Parchers Corners, Crawford County, Ohio, February 19, 1859. She moved with her parents to Lake Ridge, Lenawee County, Michigan, and afterwards to Wheatland, Hillsdale County, where she attended district school, then one year in Hudson High school. Hers has surely been a life of service for others, working at general housework and nursing. Some of her life has been spent in Milwaukee with her relatives. At one time she was assistant matron of the Orphan's home there. She was a great lover of children and old people and was always mindful of their wants; also did all she could for the poor and needy. She has been a member of the Baptist church since about 15 years of age, but willing to work in any Christian church. The 21 of March, 1916, she was married to Seymore Frost, a good man and photographer of Adrian, Michigan, where they now reside, 1922.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

FRANKLIN R. BACON, 4th

(4) Franklin Rice Bacon. He was born in Crawford County, Ohio, June 3rd, 1863. He moved with his parents when but nine months old to Lake Ridge, Lenawee County, Michigan. His mother passed away when he was about two years of age. He was then cared for by his father and older sisters and later by his stepmother. He moved again with his parents to Wheatland, Hillsdale County. His father died when he was 17 years of age. He remained at home and worked on the farm and took care of his stepmother until January 21, 1891, when he married Minnie Greenfield. They then decided to stay there and buy out some of the heirs to the old homestead and they took care of his stepmother during her declining years up to her death in 1896.

While a young man he united with the Baptist Church at Church's Corners. He and his wife were faithful members until the church closed its doors and was later sold to him. To this union two children were born, the boy dying in infancy. The daughter, Mable J., was born January 4, 1898. They sold the old farm in 1920 and moved onto another 80 acre farm nearby, where they now reside.

(5) Mable J. Bacon was born in Wheatland, Hillsdale County, Mich., January 4, 1898, where she grew to womanhood. She being the only child living her parents wanted her to remain at home, which she has although her ambition was to be a teacher. She is well versed in housekeeping, music, fancy work and sewing, besides a good worker in the Congregational church at Church's Corners, of which she is a member; also of the Red Cross and W. C. T. U.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

DEXTER BACON, 3rd

- (3) Dexter Bacon, the tenth child born to Ralph and Mary Bacon, was born May 6, 1822, three miles east of Bucyrus in Crawford County, Ohio. He was the first native white child born in Liberty Township and the first one of the children born after the family moved to the farm east of Bucyrus. When about ten years of age, Dexter was bound out by his father, to an older brother, Martin Bacon, who received the farm for providing for the family until each member became of age. By the agreement, Dexter was to receive \$100 if he remained with Martin between the ages of 16 to 21 years. He attended the Maxfield & Blowers' school but most of his education was acquired later in life. On reaching the age of 21, having stayed with his brother the required time, he received his \$100 and then started for Wisconsin, traveling on foot nearly the entire distance. He carried his money, which consisted of \$80 in silver and \$20 in gold, in a knapsack on his back, having expended only \$6.50 during his journey.

He purchased 80 acres of land some 30 miles from Milwaukee and in a short time returned to Crawford County, Ohio. On April 25, 1844, he was married to Miss Rebecca Bonebreak, daughter of Henry Bonebreak of Crawford County, Ohio. In May 1844, accompanied by his wife, her father and family, they made the journey in wagons, reaching Milwaukee July 3, 1844. Their goods were shipped from Sandusky City to Milwaukee by water. He settled on a claim of 80 acres of land belonging to his father (Ralph Bacon 3) which was situated 10 miles from Milwaukee and in the same county. For some time the family suffered many hardships. Dexter having to borrow \$20 from Joseph Bonebreak to defray the expenses of moving and when the money was spent had nothing but his hands. He cut wagon hubs from the timber on his farm and sold them for one-half money and one-half trade. With the first money obtained he purchased his first barrel of flour for \$3.38 and never felt better in his life. When hauling his flour home, a tree blew over, falling on his only steer and killing it. He purchased another for \$18, having to give 12% interest on the money which he borrowed. It was six months before he made enough money to pay the debt, but hard work improved

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

the condition of his finances. He engaged in lumbering for several years and in four years cleared 40 acres of the farm he occupied, which he purchased of his father, trading for it his own farm and paying \$400 in money.

He left Wisconsin with his family in the spring of 1850, and after stopping six months near So. Bend, Indiana, reached Crawford County November 12, 1850, and settled on the present farm which he purchased from his father-in-law. He lived on this farm the remainder of his life, said farm contains 119½ acres. Here he engaged in the business of breeding thoroughbred Shorthorn Cattle and Berkshire Hogs. He introduced the first Ayrshire cows ever brought to Crawford County, and was also engaged in raising Italian Bees.

Dexter joined the M. E. Church when about 16 years of age, under the teaching of Rev. Adam Poe, a son of the famous Indian fighter. He remained a member of this church until he returned from Wisconsin when he united with the Christian Advent church. He was one of the original stockholders and directors of the First National Bank of Bucyrus, organized in 1863. During the Civil War he subscribed sums of \$500 at different times to assist in Clearing Liberty Township from the draft. He was the father of the following six children, four of whom are living on the home farm at the present date—Samantha, Washington (died in infancy), Gilbert, Charles Washington, Martha, Ellen and Elsie, who died April 8, 1890, at 24 years. Dexter Bacon died April 8, 1892, about one-fourth of a mile from where he was born.

- (4) Gilbert and Charles Washington, the two sons and their two sisters Samantha and Ellen, are living on the old home farm where their parents died. Not any of them has ever married. The brick house in which they live is, no doubt, over 100 years old. The entire family have always been industrious, hard-working people. They have been very saving and by their good management, have acquired some property. They are free-hearted, kind-hearted and always willing to help in a time of need. They love their neighbors as themselves. They love the live stock they have around them and are great hands for pets. No place better than there to go for a good visit.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

SAMANTHA BACON, 4th

- (4) Samantha Bacon was the oldest child of Dexter Bacon (3) and Rebecca Bonebreak Bacon. She was born in Waschashaw County, Wisconsin, about ten miles from Milwaukee January 21, 1816. When she was four years old she moved with her parents to Crawford County, Ohio, onto the farm where she now lives and which was owned at one time by her grandfather Bonebreake. Dexter Bacon purchased this farm of his father-in-law in November, 1850. They traveled through from Wisconsin with horses and wagon, stopping over for a few months near South Bend, Indiana and arriving at their destination November 12, 1850. Samantha received her education at a country school. Her entire life was spent on this farm, where she worked hard to help care for her parents in their declining years and also for a younger sister, Elsie, who had poor health and passed away at the age of 23 years. Samantha has always been very industrious, and a great lover of flowers and a good garden. In her younger days she used to hoe in the garden, milk the cows, and help make butter. She is still living a quiet, peaceful life with her sister and two brothers at the old homestead farm, 1922.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

GILBERT BACON, 4th

He was the second child of Dexter Bacon (3) and Rebecca Bonebrake Bacon. He was born in Crawford County, Ohio, Jan. 7, 1851 on a farm three miles east of Bucyrus, Ohio. He was born in the house in which he is now living. He has seen the old and the new ways of living blended as progress was made in methods of labor, when the country grist and saw mill, shoe shop, blacksmith shop, carpenter shop, tailor shop, and almost every other kind abounded and prospered in the country, when the piten fork was the only way of loading and unloading hay and grain, and the cradle, (not the lullaby kind,) held sway in the field, and binding by hand was the way of harvest.

The writer has made a full hand in hay and harvest field since 13. Before he could read he became interested in bees, and soon there after read all the books he could get on apiculture.

At school he learned readily and at ten years was master of the spelling book, and assisted in a class of six soon after in spelling six hundred words in Webster's High School Dictionary without missing a single word. After he was of age, he took a course at National Normal University, Lebanon, Ohio, completing the scientific course some years later working with bees in summer, teaching school in winter, and attending the universtiy Fall and Spring, and has seen fifteen years as teacher in rural schools. In one school five teachers attended his instruction. At the University he was examined in American Literature and in a large class he came off second, with less than a half grade between him and the first best, and was an easy winner in the Spencerian Theory of Penmanship, in the examination of a large class, he completed the course in the Spring of 1879.

At home he bulit up a bee yard to 134 colonies; sold over 1200 bee hives to bee-keepers, and dealt largely in Italian queens; has had queens reared in Italy in yard, at big figures, and raised queens from them. His best yield was 375 pounds surplus from a single count in Spring, and increased to 4, Fall count. The first Italian colony reared in our county was reared in our yard in the summer of 1871. Later on sale was made of bees and stock, and smaller number kept.

A good grade of Jersey cows is kept, usually for butter and milk pur-

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

poses. In 1892 he sent for a fine Berkshire sow to New Jersey, bought the best possible, and for years sold all he could raise for breeders; has had a number raised in England and been very successful at state and county Fairs.

He has been successful as a salesman, and has built up a trade in the country at large.

He is liberal in politics and religion, and despises intrigue in either, and thinks honesty the only policy.

In the conjugal relation, is single, though has had many proffers; advocates temperance in all things; in temperament has that happy combination of the vital and mental types combined with motive a desirable combination.

He has been a great reader, a deep thinker, a good writer and a good talker in public. He lives with his brother and two sisters on the farm where he was born, and lived his entire life time, this 1922.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

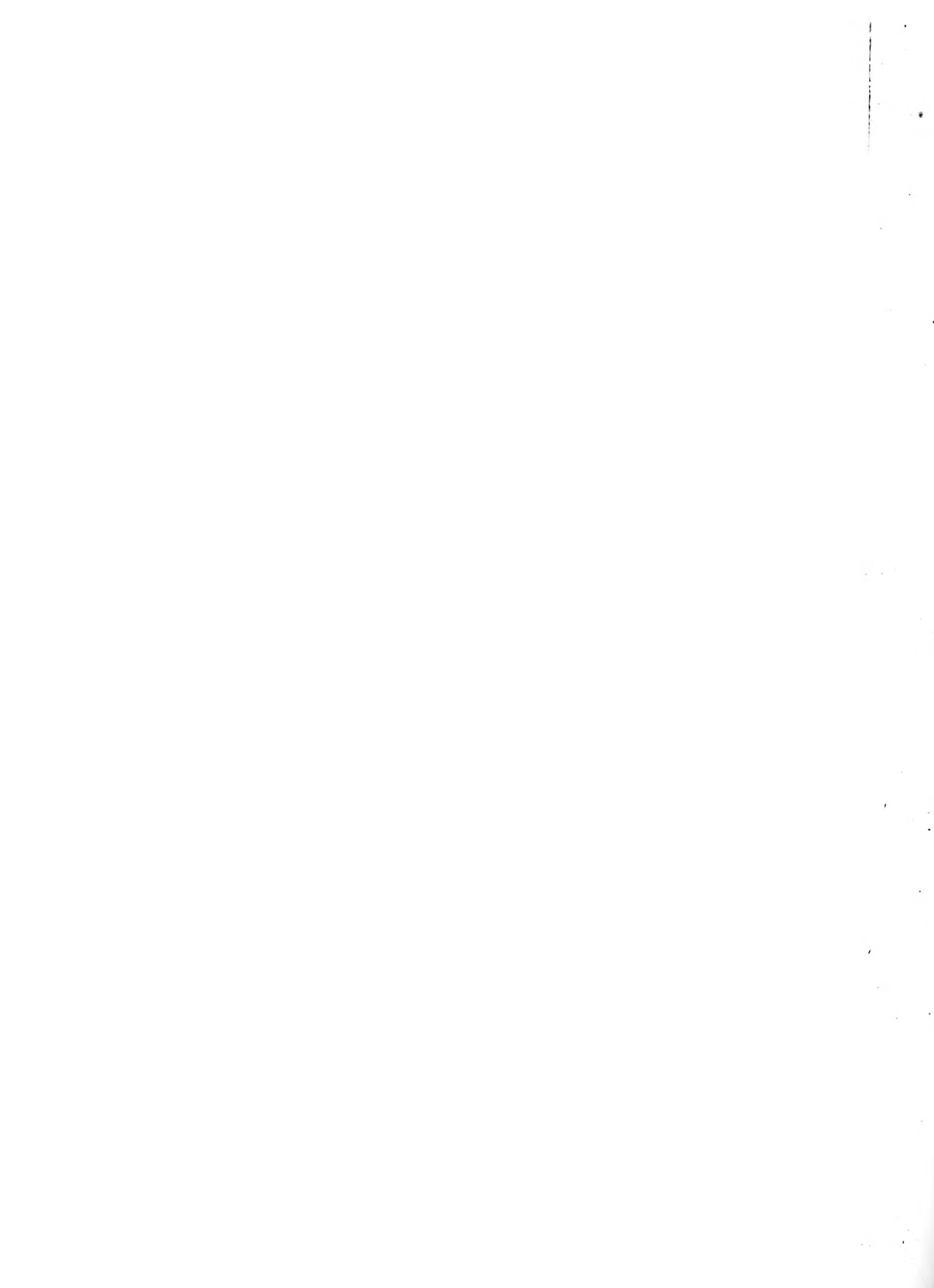
CHARLES WASHINGTON BACON, 4th

- (4) Charles Washington Bacon, the fourth child and third son of Dexter and Rebecca Bonebrake Bacon, was born in Liberty Township, Crawford County, Ohio, about three miles east of Bucyrus, October 4, 1852, on the farm where he now lives with his brother and two sisters. Washel Bacon has always been a very industrious, hard working man. The joy of his life is to till the soil, make the land more fertile, and to experiment with different varieties of fruit and grafting. In 1915 he fruited sixty varieties of apples. He enjoys raising other good crops and stock. His father was one of the first in that section to raise pure bred Shorthorn cattle and Berkshire hogs. In November, 1883, he had the misfortune to suffer the loss of his foot, caused by a runaway team. He later had to use an artificial leg, which has always been a great drawback to him. This did not discourage him and he has continued up to the present day seemingly healthy and always cheerful, kind to his livestock, kind to his people and to everyone who knows him, 1922. He deserves a mark in the history of the Bacon family.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

MARTHA ELLEN BACON, 4th

- (4) Martha Ellen Bacon is the fifth child of (3) Dexter Bacon and Rebecca Bonebreak Bacon. She was born January 14, 1857, three miles east of Bucyrus, Ohio, in Crawford County, Liberty Township, on the old Bonebreak Homestead farm that her father purchased in 1850. She has spent her entire life on this farm, attending school at the country school house known as the Hise District. She has always lived at home and worked with her older sister caring for her parents in their declining years and also for the younger sister who was afflicted with rheumatism for several years. After the death of her parents she continued to stay with her sister and help to keep house for her two brothers. She has done all she could to keep the family together. This farm consists of 119½ acres and there are 20 acres of valuable oak timber on it. At one time the land was considered to be of poor quality, but owing to the careful management of the soil its fertility has been improved to such an extent that most any kind of crop can be raised with a big yield.



BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

CAROLINE BACON ROSE, 3rd

- (3) Caroline, the eleventh child of Ralph and Mary Bacon, was born June 11, 1824, on the ancestral farm three miles east of Bucyrus, Ohio. She was married to Hugh Rose and to them were born five children-- David, Ellen, Marion, Laura and Edward. The mother died at Bucyrus, Ohio, March 10, 1878, at the age of 53 years and is buried one-half mile from the place of her birth. The husband, Hugh Rose, died at Virginia City, Montana, in the year 1885.
- (4) David Rose died in Iowa at the age of 18.
- (4) Edward Rose was last seen in Virginia City, Montana, and it is not known whether he is living or not.
- (4) Marion Rose died at Virginia City, Montana, in 1885.
- (4) Ellen Rose married a Mr. Webber and lives in Kalispel, Montana. Her husband died in 1886. Later she moved to Long Beach, California.
- (4) Laura Rose was married to Mr. Duncan and now lives at Butte, Montana. After the death of Mr. Duncan she moved to Long Beach, California, with her sister Ellen, 1922.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

ELIZA BACON GARDNER STANCLIFF, 3rd

- (3) Eliza, the twelfth child of Ralph and Mary Bacon, was born in Crawford County, Ohio, November 18, 1826. She spent the first five years of her life on the place where she was born and then the family moved one mile south on the same farm, into Whetstone Township. She lived here until she was 18 years of age, when she was married, January 2, 1845, to Alexander P. Gardner. They moved to Wyandotte County, Ohio, where Mr. Gardner was teaching school, after which they moved back to Crawford County, Ohio, for a time and then moved to Kane County, Illinois, in 1853 and bought a farm on which they lived until the death of Mr. Gardner, which occurred June 19, 1867. The same fall after the death of Mr. Gardner, her home was burned in the night and the good neighbors of Eliza built her a new house.

They had a family of nine children, five of them dying in infancy and four reaching maturity. Mary, Jane Adelaide, Clara and Wilbur, who are now living in Santa Cruz, California. Eliza remained a widow for four years and eight months, when she was married to David Stancliff in December, 1871, and they, with the Gardner children, moved to Santa Cruz, California, where she died Jan. 6, 1912, David Stancliff having preceded her in 1890.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

MARY JANE GARDNER BALDING, 4th

I, Mary Jane Balding, was born in Whetstone township, Crawford County, Ohio, January 30, 1846, a few rods east of the Dexter-Bacon home, (the old brick house where his four oldest children now reside). I am the eldest of nine children born to Alexander and Eliza Bacon Gardner. Four are still living here in Santa Cruze, California; Mary Jane, Adelaide, Clara and Wilbur. I attended school at the little red school-house known as the Ilise District. James Kermis was my first teacher, Icy P. M. McCasky, the second, and my father the third. In the Fall of 1853 my father, who was in very poor health and hoping by changing climate it would prove beneficial to him, decided to move to Illinois with his family (after which he lived about fifteen years). I remained with my parents about that length of time, then in March, 1868 I returned to Ohio, arriving at Uncle Dexter Bacon's about noon. I shall never forget that meeting, the old familiar yard with those stately locust trees, the old swing, and all the old landmarks. They were preparing to meet me at the train in Bucyrus and were eating their dinner when I arrived. As I delighted in school teaching, having commenced to teach the winter I was fifteen years of age, and having taught many terms in Illinois before leaving for Ohio, after resting and visiting for a few days, I applied for the Ilise school for the summer, and was successful in obtaining it. At that time Uncle William Bacon was operating a large grist mill on the hill near the school. He and his dear wife gave me a cordial invitation to make my home with them while teaching. The following winter, I taught the Parcher school for four months, receiving \$125. Uncle Martin Bacon and wife living near, I made my home with them, and here again such hospitality as I met with among my relatives in Ohio.

On December 3, 1868, at the home of Clark Bacon, I married Bernard Balding, a civil war veteran, Rev. Peter Howenstein officiating. The following spring we commenced housekeeping in the house owned by Uncle William, and I again took charge of the Hise school for the summer. Then the following summer took charge of the Parcher School again, and the next winter of the school about one and one-half miles west of Leesville.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

During 1876 (the centennial year) we decided to return to Hampshire, my home place in Illinois. We lived there nine years and in 1885 moved to California. I have never been sorry, have enjoyed better health since. My husband died in 1911.

Two children were born to us; Bernard in 1871, died in Mexico in 1905 of acute congestion of the brain owing to the excessive heat, aged thirty-four years, was never married, Grace, born 1881, was married to Thomas Brown, no children blessed this union. They reside in Oakland, California.

I am living in sight of the Bay of Monterey on the Pacific coast in a house belonging to my sister Clara, and next door to her. I receive a war widow's pension, am a member of the Christian Advent Church, rejoicing in God, the Rock of my salvation.

Yours cordially,

Mary Jane Balding.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

ELIZA ADELAIDE GARDNER FIELDS, 4th

- (4) Eliza Adelaide Gardner Fields, the second daughter of Eliza Bacon Gardner Stanclift, was born in Bucyrus, Crawford County, Ohio, May 21, 1817. At the age of five years she moved, with her parents, to Hampshire, Kane County, Illinois, where she lived and went to school until she was sixteen, afterwards attending the Elgin Academy for a time.

She taught a country school at Stark's Station, near Hampshire, for two terms and was married, at the age of twenty, to James Kingsley Fields, of Hampshire, Illinois. The wedding took place at the home of Mr. Field's sister, Mrs. Almond Potter, in Biley township, Mellenry County, Illinois.

To them were born six children, three boys and three girls, as follows: Edwin Wilfred, May 3, 1868; Alma Polina, July 3, 1869; Marshall Irvin Alfred, February 14, 1873; Gertrude Eleonora Irene, August 22, 1879; Clarence, February 19, 1881; Clara Marguerite, July 10, 1891.

Mr. and Mrs. Fields lived in Hampshire for about seven years and there the first two children were born. They then moved to Nevada, Ohio, where Irvin was born, and lived there about one year and a half. Then returning to Hampshire, Illinois, they remained until 1882 when, with a family of five children, they came to California; landing in Red Bluff, Tehama County, in September 1882 where they lived for about three years. During that time Clarence was taken sick with a malady that was epidemic at that time and died; and Alma, some time later, died with typhoid pneumonia at the age of sixteen. Clarence was but two and one-half years of age at the time of his death.

In the fall of 1885 the Fields family moved to Santa Cruz, California where a home was purchased at 29 Campbell st., and the parents still live there. The mother is seventy-one years of age and the father seventy-two, at this writing. (1919)

Edwin, the oldest son, married at the age of twenty-two to Eva Viola Gustafson and they live in Santa Cruz, California. Two daughters were born to them—Florence Edna, who died at five months, and Esther Lucille—born September 22, 1907. Edwin is in the printing business and

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

has followed that over thirty-five years. He has the unique distinction of having held a position in one office over thirty years.

Irvin, the second son, was married at the age of twenty-two, to Loretta Truax. To them were born six children, three boys and three girls—Gerard, Helen (died when a few months old), Leola, Sarraill, and Phoebe and Kingsley (twins). They are living, at the present time, in Fresno, California. Irvin is a cement worker as well as a baker by trade and has followed these lines of business for over twenty years.

Gertrude was married at the age of eighteen to Frank J. Sawyer, who has been in the shoe repairing business in Santa Cruz for over twenty years. They have two sons, Preston and Ariel.

Clara was married at the age of twenty-one to J. V. Rathke of San Francisco, who has for some time been in the employ of both the Wells-Fargo Express Co. and the United Railroads there. No children.

63

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

CLARA GARDNER HAWTHORNE LEIBRANDT, 4th

- (4) Clara Gardner Hawthorne Leibbrandt, was born February 5, 1858, near Hampshire, Illinois, to Alex P. Gardner and Eliza Bacon Gardner (later Stanclift).

She lived on a farm and went to school until 1871, when she moved with her parents and brother Wilbur, to Bucyrus, Ohio, where she visited with relatives for a short time. The father having died, her mother married David Stanclift, and they moved to New Bloomington, (now called Agosta). At this place she enjoyed some of the happiest days of her life.

Later they moved to Nevada, Ohio, where she attended school and worked in a printing office until they moved to Crestline, Ohio. After several months she married Eli Hawthorne, and in a short time they returned with her parents to Hampshire, Illinois. Sometime later she and her husband went to Elgin to live, then to Mendota, and from there to Sandwich, Illinois, where a son Clyde LaMonte, was born June 20, 1877.

Some months later they returned to Hampshire, where her husband followed his trade as a carriage painter.

When Clyde was about two and one-half years old there was a separation. In 1882 she and Clyde, with her parents, moved to California, where she has ever since remained. After living in the northern part of the state for two or three years she moved to Santa Cruz.

April 25, 1888, she married John Leibbrandt, who was proprietor of a popular bathing pavilion on the Santa Cruz beach, which borders on the bay of Monterey. She had enjoyed 25 years of married life with him, when he died of heart trouble, leaving her in very comfortable circumstances.

Her son Clyde was married in San Francisco at about the age of 23, to Bessie Hunter. To them was born one child, a daughter, Violet Glendyn. Before Clyde was married he was champion short distance swimmer of the United States. He is now in the service of the good old U. S. A. in the capacity of Mess Sergeant in France, where he has been for about one and one-half years. We are looking forward to his return at any time.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

WILBUR MONROE GARDNER, 4th

(4) Wilbur Monroe Gardner, of Santa Cruz, California, born March 22, 1861 of Alexander P. Gardner and Eliza Gardner, (nee Bacon) near Elgin, Illinois. Lived on a small farm until 1871 when he moved with his mother and sister Clara to Bucyrus, Ohio, his father A. P. Gardner, having died June 19, 1867. His mother, Eliza Gardner married her second husband, David Stanclift at Bucyrus shortly after their arrival.

Wilbur lived at Nevada, Ohio with his mother and step-father until March 10, 1875 when he went back to his former home in Ill. He worked in the summer and "did chores" for his board and went to school in the winter.

In 1881, while clerking in a general store at Hampshire, Ill., he contracted rheumatism and on April 6, 1882 left for California on account of his health, where he has remained ever since and is now residing at Santa Cruz, a city of some 12,000 inhabitants. It is a most beautiful spot on the northerly side of Monterey Bay, an arm of the Pacific Ocean. He was comparatively free from rheumatic troubles during his first summer in California, but in December, 1882, he was again attacked with the malady and was confined to the house, unable to walk for two years, resulting in the shortening of his left limb some three inches. During this time he studied, alone, the Ben Pittman system of shorthand and later became an expert stenographer, typewriter operator and Court Reporter, and for some years conducted what was known as "Gardner's Shorthand and Typewriting Institute."

In 1890 he married Mamie E. Norriss and two daughters were born to them: Cymbeline, born July 29th., 1891, and Cleonice, born December 8, 1894, both of whom are now married. Cleonice married Aloysious Finn, and a son, A. Gardner Finn, was born to them September 7, 1917. Cymbeline Gardner married Robert A. Balester. No children.

In 1890 the subject of this article was elected Justice of the Peace and served for eight years, during which time he studied law, taking both the California course and a course from the Western Correspondence School of Law at Chicago. Was admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of California in 1898 and is now successfully practicing his profession, in good health and 58 years "young."

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

WILLIAM S. BACON, 3rd

- (3) William S. Bacon, fifth son and youngest of thirteen children born to Ralph and Mary Bacon, was born Dec. 1, 1829, on a farm three miles east of Bucyrus, Ohio, where his father settled on coming to that country from Mentor, Ohio, in 1820. When but a little over a year old, he, with two brothers and several of his sisters, were placed in the care of his brother Martin, where he lived until about 15 years of age, working for him when old enough, and about 4 months of the year attending school.

In 1844, he was urged by his brother Dexter to go to Wisconsin, where Dexter was then living, and thinking he could earn more than he could receive from his brother Martin on reaching his majority, he went and for about 4 years made his home with Dexter, working for him and others. He worked at whatever his willing hands could find to do, mostly at clearing of land, and has to his credit the remarkable feat of cutting five acres of heavy timber into rail cuts in seventeen days, also of cutting and splitting 300 rails in a single day. At one time he was engaged in the potash industry and so energetic was he in his work that it is stated he kept the kettles evaporating almost the entire twenty-four hours of the day. He also worked in the harvest fields and has a record of following a Mr. Simon Barnes, who cradled wheat, and of raking and binding 120 dozen sheaves in a day. The city of Waukesha is located near the scene of his operations.

At the age of 19 he returned to Ohio and worked at the carpenter trade with his brother-in-law, Ezra Stancliff, at Wyandotte. At this time he became imbued with a desire for a better education and took up his studies under the direction and with the assistance of his sister, Manerva Stancliff, and in the early fifties taught three terms of school in Crawford County, one of them being in "Deckertown" and the others in Parchers District, near his old home.

In 1858 he set up a saw mill within a few rods of his birthplace, in the little valley just east of it, his nephew George Bacon being his foreman and assistant. In the year 1859 he moved the mill to the Sherner residence west of Bucyrus in Wyandotte County, but soon after sold it.

On December 1, 1859, he was married to Miss Savena Hawk of Sul-

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

phur Springs, daughter of David and Margaret Hawk, early pioneers from Pennsylvania. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Joshua Crouse, Pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Bucyrus, Ohio. They went to housekeeping in the spring of 1860 in New Washington, where he had purchased an interest in a saw-mill, Mr. Christian Guiness being his partner. Here they lived until the spring of 1863, when he bought the tannery of his father-in-law in Sulphur Springs. This work was so distasteful to him that in the autumn of 1864 he moved to Seneca County, where he bought a half interest in the Bloomville Flouring Mills, built by Simson Koller. Mr. Koller's son-in-law, G. K. Zeigler, was his partner. In 1865 he sold his property and returned to Crawford County, where he engaged in selling saw mill machinery and followed his old trade of carpentry, until 1868, when he, in partnership with Dr. J. D. Squire, bought the Liberty Mills (flour) located in the Sandusky River south of Sulphur Springs. In a few days they moved the mill to the village of Sulphur Springs and operated it until 1874, when he sold to his partner. In January of 1875, in partnership with Josiah Koller of Napoleon, Ohio, Martin Koller and Garrett Zeigler of Bloomville, Ohio, he purchased an interest in the Bloomville Mills, the Roack Creek Mills of Tiffin, Ohio, and the Josiah Koller flour mills of Napoleon, Ohio. This partnership, however, was of short life and within a few weeks he purchased their interest in the Bloomville mills and sold to them his interests in the Rock Creek Mills and the Napoleon Mills. This mill he operated for four years, then traded it for a piece of land of 37 acres, east of Tiffin. Here he made his home the remainder of his days. In October, 1879, he purchased the Clifton mills in Tiffin and this he owned at the time of his death. He was the father of five children, Frank, Clara, Willis, Herbert and Helen.

W. S. Bacon was, especially in his matured years, of a mechanical turn of mind, delighting in working with machinery and was an inventor of no mean ability. He invented and patented a valve gearing for an engine, which he sold to the Wheelock Engine Company, also a cushion mill Burr Driver with three improvements and a noiseless cushion gear drive for roller mills, with at least two patents. He perfected and patented an oil burner, a fountain sprayer and spring for a cart, that were the ideas of Mr. Samuel Holsinger. Also an engine gear drive for a

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

centrifugal bolting reel, which was the idea of Mr. E. A. Squires.

Because of his industry and good management, he was successful in all his business ventures. He was progressive and public spirited and contributed in no small degree to the development of many social and industrial institutions.

His death occurred February 1, 1894, after four months of intense suffering, making the first break in the family circle. His age was 64 years and two months. His wife, Savenna Bacon, died March 1, 1898, just four years and four weeks later, aged 61 years, 3 months and 18 days.

William S. Bacon was a man beloved by all who knew him. Honest, upright and conscientious in all his dealings with his fellow men, kind-hearted and forgiving, generous and charitable. One of the best men that ever lived. His kind deeds were done without the blast of trumpets and in such a way that his left hand knew not what the right hand did. He aimed to live in such a way that he would leave the world just a little better for his having lived.

100

100

100

100

100

100

100

100

100

100

100

100

100

100

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

FRANK W. BACON, 4th

Frank W. Bacon, oldest son of William and Savena (Hawk) Bacon, was born in New Washington, Crawford County, Ohio, October, 10th, 1860.

At the age of 10 months, so the family tradition says, he learned to talk German, the prevailing language in that town in those days, he was 18 months old when his parents moved to Sulphur Springs where his father purchased the Tannery of David Hawk.

Following along with the changes of location of his parents, he went from Sulphur Springs to Bloomville (Seneca Co.) in 1864 where his father was half owner with the late Garrett K. Ziegler, in the "Koller" mill.

A year later, the family moved 2 miles south of Sulphur Springs to a tenement house on the Simon Crawl farm, and after a few months, another "moving bee" brought the family into Sulphur Springs again, to the house in the extreme Southeast corner of the village. Some months later, his father in partnership with Dr. John B. Squier purchased the Steam Flour mill of Benj. Warner, 3 miles southwest of the village. Here the family resided for a year or more during which time the mill was torn down and removed to Sulphur Springs, and the family again took up residence in the village.

Here at the age of 11, Frank began his career in the milling business, by going into the engine room and firing the old-style "two-flue" boiler with cordwood.

In 1875 Dr. Squier having bought the interest from Father Bacon, the family again removed to the old mill at Bloomville.

Here Frank began to acquire practical knowledge of making flour under the old "burr" process. After 4 years in this location, Father Bacon exchanged the mill for a farm and other considerations, near Tiffin, and the family moved to this new home, and in a few months bought the Clifton Steam Mills, (on Frank's 19th. birthday). Here Frank went to work with some energy in the power plant of the mill, and later, in 1882 on account of the failing health of his father, he assumed the management of the business. This was about the time of a complete revolution in the process of making flour, the old "burr" system was discarded and the mod-

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

ern roller system was installed, a change which involved heavy expense, and a complete change in the manufacture, all this kept Frank very much occupied, but it did not however, hinder an occasional glance at a pretty Miss, the result of which, was his marriage the 9th of March, 1886 to Mary E. Johnson, 3rd. daughter of Judge William Johnson, an attorney in Tiffin in an early day. The happiness of this union was complete, and 2 children were born to them. Eugenia Ellen, who died in 1905 at the age of 18 years, and a baby boy who died at his birth.

Following the death of his father in 1894, Frank purchased the interests of his brothers and sisters in the Clifton mill, but 3 years later, sold the mill to the late Martin Koller.

It is of passing interest to note that this property was badly damaged in the flood of 1913, and when the City widened the river channel the building was torn away, and the larger part of the ground was included in the broader channel of the river, and only a few feet of the ground at the North approach of the Washington street bridge is all that remains of the former site of the mill.

After disposing of his Tiffin property, Frank purchased the Maxwell Mill at Sidney, Ohio, (in the spring of 1897) which he operated a year with only moderate success, after selling it, Frank travelled for 2 years, selling mill-machinery for the Knickerbocker Co., Jackson, Michigan, during this time however, he purchased the mill at Ridgeway, Ohio, which he rented to the late "Noke" Morton.

Apart of the consideration of the sale of the Sidney mill, was the Peters Mill in Milford, Michigan, situated on the Huron River with a very fine water-power, having sold the Ridgeway mill, and purchased the East Liberty mill, in partnership with Mr. Morton, Frank and his family moved to Milford, Michigan, and his short residence here was saddened by the death of his wife on the 2nd. of December, 1899, and the breaking up of his home.

In a short time he traded off the Milford mill for one at Grafton, Ohio, this he owned only a short time until he found a purchaser and sold it. At this time he went to East Liberty, and assumed management of his mill at that place until the following October, when he traded his half interest in the mill for a farm near Greenwich, Ohio, a few days later Frank was travelling toward Tiffin in his Stanley Steam-car, it

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

might not be out of place here, to mention this car as the first Automobile (factory made) that ever came to Ohio, Frank drove it into Ohio in the fall of 1898.

A few months after arriving in Tiffin, Frank purchased the Pioneer Mills, which property he has operated up to the present time (1922). In June 1902 he married his present wife, Lida A. Sexton, and the family home is opposite the mill on Riverside Drive.

3 years after his marriage, in 1905, his daughter Eugenia passed away, after a painful lingering illness.

To his second marriage, 3 children were born, the first dying in infancy, the second, Roger Henry Bacon born March 30th, 1908, his only living child, the third child, Cora Frances Bacon, born January 31st, 1910, died April 27th, 1914.

"Of her sweet life, too short for a biography, filled other lives with joy, and God took her before sorrow touched her."

It was at this home that the Bacon reunion was held in 1917-18.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

CLARA BACON PLATNER, 4th

- (4) Clara Bacon Platner, eldest daughter of William S. and Savanna Hawk Bacon, was born in Seneca County, Ohio, near Bloomville, March 26, 1865. Was married to Washington Platner April 4, 1888. In March, 1889, they removed to Pierre, South Dakota, near where the husband owned a quarter section of land, obtained from the government. At the expiration of two years they returned to Ohio and again took up their residence in Seneca County. To them was born one child, a daughter, Joyce B., born August 17, 1889.

I obtained a photocopy of this material from Mrs. Joyce B. Michls in the spring of 1971. The page numbering shows some breaks, see page 125. She did not copy the pages which did not have genealogical information on them. She currently resides in Lima, Ohio.

John Bradley Artheud, M.D.
Wheeling, Missouri 64688

June 25, 1971

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

LT. COL. WILLIS BACON, 4th

- (4) Lt. Col. Willis Bacon, second son of William S. and Savina H. Bacon, was born in Sulphur Springs, Ohio, April 11, 1866. He received his early education in public schools and was graduated from Tiffin High School in June, 1885. He also attended Heidelberg College in Tiffin, for a period of two years, after which he entered De Pau University, in Greencastle, Indiana, was graduated from De Pau in 1888. He then began the reading and study of law, was admitted to the Bar, and has pursued the legal profession ever since. November 16, 1892, he was united in marriage to Margaret Palmer.

Being interested in military affairs, he joined the Ohio National Guard in 1896, and was associated with the 8th Ohio Regiment approximately 21 years. He worked his way up to his present command, through all the intervening stages. On the Mexican border he was a Major. When America declared war against Germany, he was advanced to the grade of Lieut. Colonel, and went over-seas with the 51st Pioneer Infantry. After the Armistice was signed, Lt. Col. Bacon was transferred to the 805th Pioneer Infantry, which is now serving with the army of occupation in France.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

LT. WILLIAM PALMER BACON, 5th

- (5) William Palmer Bacon, Lieutenant United States Navy, elder son of Willis Bacon and Margaret Palmer, was born in Tiffin, Ohio, June 9th. 1894. He was graduated from Tiffin, High School in June, 1912. In July, 1912, he entered the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland. In 1916 he was graduated from the Naval Academy, as Ensign, U. S. N. The U. S. government assigned him to the U. S. S. San Diego (then the flag ship) in the Pacific Fleet. A short time later, all officers from the Admiral down were transferred to the U. S. S. Pittsburgh, which was sent to the Mexican border to do patrol duty. After the disturbance with Mexico was quelled, William was advanced to the grade of Lieutenant, j. g., and the U. S. S. Pittsburg was called to South America for government duty. In 1917, after war was declared against Germany, William transferred from the Pacific Fleet to the Atlantic Fleet and was assigned to the U. S. S. Aroostook (for foreign service) which proved to be a mine planter. Before leaving for overseas service, William was again advanced to the grade of Lieutenant, s. g., which corresponds with Captain in the army. The U. S. S. Aroostook is one of which did such magnificent work in the building of the wonderful barrage of mines in the North Sea, the object of which was to eliminate the heinous submarines. It is said that the "Yankees" after they got into the war, laid more mines than the British had done in the whole three years preceding. A total of 265,000 were laid in the North Sea and vicinity, officially accounting for sixty-seven submarines.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

CAPTAIN ROBERT LYNN BACON, 5th

- (5) Robert Lynn Bacon, Captain, United States Army, the younger son of Willis Bacon and Margaret Palmer, was born in Tiffin, Ohio, March 31, 1896. Robert received his early education in the Tiffin public schools, was graduated from Tiffin High School in June, 1914. In July he entered the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York. In August, 1917, Robert was graduated from the Military Academy as second Lieutenant, U. S. Army. The government assigned him to the 40th Infantry, then located at Fort Snelling, Minnesota. From Fort Snelling the 40th Infantry was sent to Fort Sheridan, Illinois, to help form new divisions for war service. At Fort Sheridan, Robert was advanced to First Lieutenant, then then with his regiment was sent to Camp Custer, Michigan, again to form new divisions for overseas fighting. From Camp Custer, after having trained thousands of recruits for overseas, the 40th. regiment was assigned to Camp Sherman, and Robert was advanced to the grade of Captain and is Regimental Adjutant now (1919), serving with the 40th. at Camp Sherman, which is a discharge camp.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

DR. HERBERT BACON, 4th

- (4) Herbert Bacon, youngest son and fourth child of William S. and Savena H. Bacon, was born July 23, 1875, near Bloomville, Ohio. He received his early education in the public schools, was graduated from Tiffin High School in 1893, after which he studied medicine for several months with Dr. H. L. Wenner of Tiffin. He later entered Western Reserve University, Cleveland, where he was graduated from the medical department in 1897. After a few months' work as house doctor in one of Cleveland's hospitals, he took up the practice of his profession in Bloomville. He was very successful in his work, and soon obtained the reputation of being an exceptional diagnostician.

He was married in January, 1902, to Miss Mollie Prouse, of Bloomville. To them were born six children: Alvin, born July 24, 1903; Savena, born January 10, 1905; Helen, May 14, 1908; Corinne, October 10, 1910; Herbert and Hubert (twins), June 13, 1914. In October, 1903, he suffered almost total loss of sight which necessitated his giving up the greater part of his practice. On March 13, 1914, in attempting to cross a small stream on the ice, the ice broke, and he being unable to see well, was drowned.



BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

HELEN BACON, 4th

- (4) Helen, fifth and youngest child of William S. and Sarena H. Bacon, was born near Bloomville, Ohio, September 21, 1877, received her early education in the public schools, graduating from the Tiffin High School in 1896, and later attended Heidelberg University at Tiffin. In 1899 she learned the millinery trade, and, with her sister, bought and managed a store in Bellefontaine, Ohio. After ten years she sold out and went west, where she remained two years, working as manager of millinery stores, one year in Colorado and one in Wyoming. In 1912 she returned to Ohio and is now (1919) located in Canton, where she, with a partner, Miss Edith Shaughenhaupt, owns the Arcade Millinery Store.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

NAMES OF THOSE WHO SERVED IN THE CIVIL WAR

Ralph W. Bacon, (4).

Captain Irvin Bacon, (4).

Warren Bacon, (4).

Jake Slagle, (4).

Martin Stanceliff, (4).

John Close.

His wife in 4th generation.

George Mallory.

His wife in 4th generation.

Melanethon Odell, (4).

Bernard Balding.

His wife in 4th generation.

Henry B. Taylor.

His wife in 4th generation.

Brothers

Hiram Loudon, (4).

Harrison Loudon, (4).

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

NAMES OF THOSE WHO SERVED IN THE WORLD'S WAR

Willis Bacon, (4).

Robert Bacon, (5).

William Bacon, (5).

Father and two sons.

Owen Blowers, (6).

Earl Blowers, Captain, (6).

Brothers.

James Kemis, (6).

Fred Bacon, (5).

Spanish American War.

Fred B. Blowers, (6).

John Williams, (6).

Melvin Williams, (6).

Samuel Williams, (6).

Harold B. Taylor, (6).

Clyde Lamont Hawthorne, (6).

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

CONCLUSION

In conclusion I would say there is but one broken link in this history of Ralph Bacon, (the first), and his descendent, and that is where William Bacon, (2nd), was murdered in Sanilac County, Michigan, leaving two sons who moved and of whom no trace has been found during the fifteen years the compiling of this history has been in progress. Further, there are two other Bacon family histories in the United States besides this one. The numbers attached to the names indicate the generation the person belongs to. The blank pages are left for future history; dates of birth and deaths to be written in by the family as time rolls on.

This Bacon Bunch has held a reunion each year from 1908 up to 1922.

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

BIOGRAPHY OF RALPH BACON.

Some time between the age of 21 and 24 years, Ralph went to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, then a pioneer town, taking the boat at Elyria, or Lorain, Ohio. He went around through Grand Traverse to Milwaukee. He made his home with his sister Clarissa, and brother-in-law, Abiel Odell in Milwaukee, where he engaged in the manufacture of fanning mills, learning also the carpenter trade with his brother-in-law, Abiel Odell, who was then a boss carpenter and Fanning Mill maker. It was at this time and during his residence in Milwaukee that he made the acquaintance of Harriet Newell Rice, eldest daughter of Ransom and Ruth Burdett Rice. He first made her acquaintance at a singing school, both having considerable musical talent, she a member of the Baptist church choir at the time. Her father was a strong believer in the Adventist doctrine, as was also his sister Clarissa Odell and husband, thus they also early became interested in that belief. Ralph did not, however, unite with the church until about the year 1858, during a revival at the Baptist church near Parchers Corners, Crawford County, Ohio.

On October 1st, 1846 they were united in marriage by the Reverend Moses Chandler, and began housekeeping at Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Delia, the first of seven children was born Aug. 4th, 1847, lived thirteen months and sixteen days, dying Sept. 20th, 1848. Jason S., the second child was born at Milwaukee on June 7th, 1850.

They removed to Elyria, Ohio, in the fall of 1850, remaining only a few months, and Ralph worked at carpenter trade.

In the Spring of 1851 they removed to Parchers Corners, Whetstone township, Crawford County, Ohio, where the subject of this sketch purchased thirty-four acres of land of his brother Martin. Jason S. died at Parchers Corners July 21, 1851, at the age of thirteen months and fourteen days. Ralph continued in the carpenters trade and had a shop across the way from his residence on the Mary and Sarah Burkhart place. He also followed bridge building to some extent, and built the district school house about the year 1858 or '59, besides working his farm. January, 1864, he removed with his wife and five children, all born at Parchers Corners:—Marietta Susan, Rosina Ruth, Cassius Fremont, Clara Jane, and Franklin Rice, the youngest being seven months of age, to Lake Ridge, Lenawee County, Michigan.

The subject of this sketch had been a few months before to Michigan and looking and visiting his sister Minerva and husband, Ezra Stan-

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

cliff, he found to his liking a farm of seventy-five acres in the immediate neighborhood, and purchased the same with stock, farming tools and some household furniture of Peter Schrier, having previously sold his place in Crawford County, to his brother Martin for about \$1800.00, which he paid down on his new purchase, leaving him with a debt of still \$1800.00. A year later he purchased an adjoining piece of land 5 acres with house which he used for a tenant house. This, however, added five hundred more to his debt, making a debt of twenty-three hundred dollars on the farm now of 80 acres.

He purchased that year a half interest in a shingle factory with Cass Montonyea, the factory being removed from the Ezra Stancliff farm to his farm. His nephew, Martin Stancliff, after coming out of the war of the Rebellion, purchased the one half interest of his uncle, Cass Montonyea in the shingle factory in 1865. Also the same year Harriet N., the wife of Ralph died at Lake Ridge, Mich., Nov. 5th, 1865 and was buried in the family lot at Lake Ridge, leaving him with five young children, the eldest thirteen years and the youngest two and one-half years. He then purchased the one half interest of the shingle mill of Martin Stancliff, continuing with farming and manufactured shingles quite extensively, giving employment to a number of men on the farm and in the factory, prices were good just after the war and in the two years he made enough money to entirely clear his farm from the mortgage of \$2300.

In the year 1866, April, he was married to Mrs. Helen A. Wheaton, a war widow, Ezra Stancliff, Justice of the Peace, performing the ceremony.

The Fall of 1867 he traded his farm of 80 acres at Lake Ridge with Nathan Greenfield for an 80 acre farm of equal value, situated in Wheatland, Hillsdale County, Mich, where he continued the occupation until his death, on Sept. 14th, 1880, which occurred suddenly while in the field sowing wheat, being in poor health and subject to attacks of heart disease, he was found by his son Franklin with his sash from which he had been sowing grain still across his shoulder, having died, it is supposed, from an attack of heart failure. His age was 60 years, 4 months and 12 days.

In politics he was an ardent Republican, and had he lived, but few weeks longer would have cast his presidential vote for James A. Garfield, who owned the farm at Mentor, Ohio, which was the birthplace

BACON FAMILY GENEALOGY

of Ralph and some of the older brothers and sisters, owned by Ralph's father and settled on in an early day and a portion of the same became famous as being the same property and the residence of General Garfield at the time of his nomination and election to the Presidency of the United States in 1880. The old buildings had been replaced by a new cottage built that year, and occupied by the Garfield family and Grandma Garfield, and still remains in the possession of the Garfield family. Ralph was an ardent admirer of the views and principles of Garfield and very hopeful for his election, but was not permitted to realize his earnest wish and desire.

Ralph was a man of good habits, one who always abstained from the use of intoxicants, tobacco, or profane language, very industrious, he worked diligently to secure a competency for his family. Of a kind, generous nature, he was highly respected and esteemed by his neighbors and friends, ever more thoughtful of others than himself, he was constantly making sacrifices of his time and means that others might be made comfortable. Honest and upright in all his dealings with mankind he secured for himself the love and esteem of all who came in contact with his daily life, extending a home to several less fortunate than himself and in passing it was truly said of him, "a good man has gone to his reward."

His second wife, Helen A. Bacon, two sons and three daughters by a former marriage survived him. He left an estate worth \$1800 which fell equally to the five children and the widow who was taken care of her life time and remained in the homestead with the son Franklin.

Helen A. Bacon, second wife of Ralph Bacon, died Sept. 1st, 1896, at the age of 69 years, 5 months and 11 days.

The farm remains in the possession and is occupied by the eldest daughter, Marietta S. Martin, and youngest son, Franklin R. Bacon, at the present date, August 15, 1909.

MAY 23 1972

